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BONN ALSO FOR USDEL CSCE SCIENTIFIC FORUM

E.O. 11652: XGDS-1  
TAGS: NATO, UR, CSCE  
SUBJECT: SOVIET DISSIDENT TRIALS

REFS: (A) STATE 179532, (B) USNATO 6944, (C) STATE 180829

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1. AT JULY 18 POLITICAL COMMITTEE MEETING, US REP  
DREW ON REF A TO DESCRIBE US APPROACH TO CSCE  
STATES ON SOVIET DISSIDENT TRIALS.

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2. FRG AND CANADIAN POLADS REFERRED TO PUBLIC STATEMENTS  
BY SCHMIDT AND TRUDEAU ON PERSECUTION OF DISSIDENTS.  
FRG REP INDICATED HE PLANNED TO FURNISH ASSESSMENT OF  
TRIALS AT EARLY POLADS MEETING AND SUGGESTED OTHERS  
CONSIDER PROVIDING SIMILAR ASSESSMENTS.

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3. UK DELEGATION HAS CIRCULATED PAPER WHICH REFERS TO  
STATEMENT ON TRIALS MADE BY UK DELEGATION, ON INSTRUCTIONS  
FROM FOREIGN SECRETARY OWEN, AT JULY 11 SESSION  
OF SCIENTIFIC FORUM PREPARATORY MEETING IN BONN. IN UK  
VIEW, RESPONSE TO UK INTERVENTION FROM SOVIET, GDR,  
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CZECHOSLOVAK AND POLISH REPRESENTATIVES WAS RELATIVELY  
MODERATE AND PROBABLY REFLECTED A PRE-ARRANGED AGREEMENT  
TO DO NOTHING TO FURTHER RAISE THE TEMPERATURE OF THE  
MEETING. UK PAPER ALSO NOTES THAT AFTER JULY 11 SESSION,  
A SOVIET OFFICIAL HAD INDICATED PRIVATELY THAT, AS FAR  
AS HIS DELEGATION WAS CONCERNED, THE MATTER WAS CLOSED.

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4. ACTION REQUESTED: IF POSSIBLE, ASSESSMENT OF THE  
SOVIET DISSIDENT TRIALS IN TIME FOR JULY 25 POLADS MEETING.  
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